

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A covering **10** for protecting an item that is placed within the covering **10** is provided. The covering **10** includes a substantially continuous tubing **11** having an inner surface **22**, an outer surface **20**, and a first opening **32** providing access to a cavity **34** of the continuous tubing **11**. The continuous tubing **11** is adapted to have items to be protected inserted into cavity **34** of the tubing **11** through the first opening **32**. A method for creating the protective covering **10** is also provided. In one preferred embodiment of the invention the method includes sealing an automobile bumper in the tubing **11** for protection of the bumper during material handling thereof.

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